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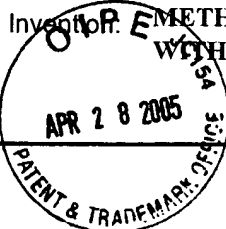
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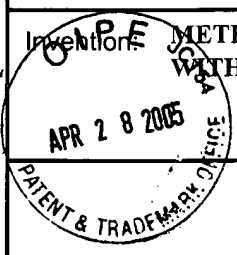
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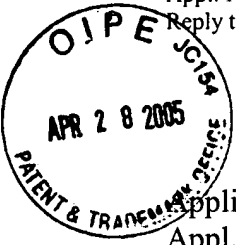
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, Applicants herein respond as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.